

MARLBORO COUNTY COUNCIL
MARLBORO COUNTY CONFERENCE ROOM
“SPECIAL CALLED MEETING”

THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2007

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CHAIRMAN JEAN WALLACE MCLEAN

VICE-CHAIR MICKEY ROGERS

ADMINISTRATOR CECIL KIMREY

COUNTY ATTORNEY DONNIE MCDONALD

COUNCIL:

JEAN MCLEAN,	JEFF QUICK,
MICKEY ROGERS,	CORRIE H. PLATO,
DR. CAROLYN PRINCE,	KEN ALLEN,
STEVE BLACKMON, AND	ANTHONY WOODS

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* ABSENT

INVOCATION – Ms. Jean Wallace McLean, Chair

Motion made by Dr. Carolyn Prince, seconded by Ms. Mickey Rogers to amend the agenda to add an executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss a personnel issue. Vote in favor: Mr. Steve Blackmon, Ms. Mickey Rogers, Mr. Anthony Woods, Dr. Carolyn Prince, and Ms. Jean McLean. Not present for vote: Mr. Jeff Quick and Ms. Corrie Plato. Vote 5/0/2. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE # 630 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK BY AND AMONG MARLBORO COUNTY, FLORENCE COUNTY AND GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINTLY OWNED AND OPERATED INDUSTRIAL/BUSINESS PARK SO AS TO

REMOVE PROPERTY IN MARLBORO COUNTY FROM THE JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK, AND INCLUDE PROPERTY FROM MARLBORO COUNTY INTO A MULTI-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK CREATED BY AND BETWEEN DARLINGTON COUNTY AND MARLBORO COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO. – SECOND READING

Motion made by Mr. Anthony Woods, seconded by Ms. Mickey Rogers, approving the second reading of Ordinance # 630 – An Ordinance to amend the agreement for development of a Multi-County Industrial and Business Park by and among Marlboro County, Florence County and Greenville County, South Carolina, providing for the development of a jointly owned and operated Industrial/Business Park so as to remove property in Marlboro County from the joint county Industrial Park, and include property from Marlboro County into a Multi-County Industrial and Business park created by and between Darlington County and Marlboro County, South Carolina, and other matters relating thereto. Vote in favor: Mr. Steve Blackmon, Ms. Mickey Rogers, Mr. Anthony Woods, Dr. Carolyn Prince, Ms. Corrie Plato, and Ms. Jean McLean. Not Present for vote: Mr. Jeff Quick. Vote: 6/0/1. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF BUDGET FY 2007 – 2008.

Mr. Cecil Kimrey, County Administrator discussed the revenues briefly by going over various line items advising of what the expected revenues are. He went over the various expenditure totals for each department explaining the difference between the current year and the up-coming year. A list of budget changes made since the last reading of the budget was distributed to Council. He advised several of the departments had budget increases due to State Mandates, these offices were Voter Registration, the Clerk of Court and the Public Defender's office. Mr. Kimrey also advise that insurance premiums are increasing, which will affect the budget. It was noted the proposed budget for 2007-2008 of \$9,297,010 is a decrease from the 2006-2007 budget of \$10,228,793.

Council discussed moving the expenditures for a motor grader which is needed for the Public Works Department to capital expenditures including it in bond provisions. Council was agreeable. Mr. Kimrey also advised of two grant applications which have been submitted which require a "Cash" match of funds by the County. The application for the warning sirens for the various county areas would be a one time expenditure with a cash match of approximately \$27,300. It was also questioned whether it could also be included in bond provisions and moving the expenditure to capital expenditures. Council was agreeable to including the warning sirens in the budget.

The other grant application was submitted by the Sheriff's Office for two (2) officers to fight gang related issues in the county. On half of the request was awarded – which would cost the county approximately \$20,000 for the first year. Mr. Kimrey advised Council that the Sheriff had committed to two (2) officers and the project would also have to be continued by the County through general funds after the grant funds expired. It was suggest the Administrator speak with the Sheriff to decide whether there is a way to fund the project, will need to look at various alternatives. Mr. Kimrey asked Council's direction on how to

address the issue. Dr. Carolyn Prince stated County needed to look at this, would the person hired always have to deal with gang investigations. She said there is a problem, but, it may be in the County's best interest to see what the City of Bennettsville has in force, and see if we may do a joint venture with them. Mr. Anthony Woods stated that the County would lose out because the City will only deal within the City limits. Dr. Carolyn Prince advised the County needs to get involved with this as soon as possible. Ms. Mickey Rogers, Vice Chair advised the grant application guarantees the investigators jobs after the grant funds run out. Ms. Jean McLean, Chair advised that if the Sheriff hasn't filled the open position he has, maybe it could be used for the gang investigator's position. The County Administrator was directed to work with the Sheriff to see if there is a feasible way to accept the grant funds.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Council discussed a problem the Sheriff has had with trying to apprehend various parties in the county – overgrown properties have presented a problem for his officers. He has requested the attorney try to get land owners cooperation in cleaning these properties off. Various options were discussed on overgrown properties in the county4223+e e xxxxxxxx.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Ms. Mickey Rogers, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon to go into executive session to discuss a Personnel Issue. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Ms. Corrie Plato, seconded by Mr. Steve Blackmon to reenter open session. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Ms. Jean Wallace McLean, Chair advised no decisions had been made, no votes had been taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further discussion. The meeting was adjourned.

(SEAL)

JEAN WALLACE MCLEAN, CHAIR
MARLBORO COUNTY COUNCIL

ATTEST:

SUSAN E. RIVERS, CLERK
MARLBORO COUNTY COUNCIL

Date Adopted: June 14, 2007